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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR § 1.97(c)(2)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The information listed in the accompanying form PTO-1449 and provided herewith may be material to examination of this application and is submitted in compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR § 1.56. The Examiner is requested to make this information of record in the application.

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the first Office Action on the merits, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.197(c)(2). Authorization to charge Deposit Account 07/1139 with the fee therefor under 37 CFR § 1.117(p) is provided in the accompanying transmittal.

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